AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing Of Claims:

- 1.-7. (Canceled)
- 8. (New) An interferometric measuring system for measuring a shape deviation, position, surface properties, and vibrations of an object, comprising:
 - a transmitting element including:
 - a modulation interferometer, and
 - a radiation source for short-coherent radiation;

a measuring probe system connected to the transmitting element and for supplying the radiation via a common optical path;

a receiving element for analyzing a measuring radiation returning from the measuring probe system, the receiving element being combined with the transmitting element in a transmitter/receiver unit, wherein:

the measuring probe system includes a plurality of measuring probes coupled to the common optical path via respective optical paths; and a switching device disposed at a coupling point between the common optical path and the respective optical paths to the measuring probes, wherein:

the switching device allowing the different measuring probes to be individually brought into a bidirectionally transmitting connection with the transmitter/receiver unit for the radiation supplied by the modulation interferometer, on the one hand, and the measuring radiation, on the other hand.

- 9. (New) The system as recited in Claim 8, wherein at least one of the common optical path and the respective optical paths include monomode optical fibers.
- 10. (new) The system as recited in Claim 8, wherein the switching device has manually or automatically switchable control elements.
- 11. (New) The system as recited in Claim 10, wherein electrically, pneumatically, hydraulically, or magnetically operated actuating elements are provided for switching.

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- 12. (New) The system as recited in Claim 8, wherein the switching device is controlled via a control device to which is also connected the transmitter/receiver unit for correlating the results to the respective measuring probes and for separate evaluations.
- 13. (new) The system as recited in Claim 8, wherein the measuring probes are individually assigned or assignable to a surface to be measured, form individual measurement channels of a probe unit, are arranged in groups in one or a plurality of measuring stations, are arranged in a higher-level interconnected system of measuring devices, or integrated into a combination of such arrangements.

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